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Write, revise, reflect and try again. That was the message that award winning authors brought to Winchester students during WFEE's Authorfest on Oct. 26. Scores of volunteers welcomed 17 presenters to the town's five elementary schools and the McCall Middle School. In each classroom or auditorium authors talked about how they find inspiration for their work, researching characters and the importance of a willingness to revise constantly.

The message appeared to be well received. A Lincoln Elementary School student stopped by the library the day after Authorfest to share a story he had written with the library media specialist. He told her he was going to improve it because he was inspired by Authorfest presenter Heather Lang. Before I didn't really care about improving my story, but after Authorfest, I'm excited to make my stories better." Authorfest is organized and funded by Winchester's education foundation WFEE with major support from the Winchester Co-operative Bank. Book Ends participates in Authorf
the creation of a satellite store at Town Hall allowing the whole c
to meet the Authorfest presenters.

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Winchester’s brightest fifth graders and adults will gather soon to compete in a fierce trivia competition that will raise money for Winchester schools. The Winchester Foundation for Educational Excellence (WFEE), a nonprofit that provides grants for Winchester’s public schools, will host its 23rd annual trivia bee March 11

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Two candidates for Winchester’s School Committee will face voters at a forum as the district navigates a new literacy curriculum, budget pressures and questions about student mental health. Heather von Mering and John Bellaire are competing for an open seat on the School Committee, which oversees a budget von

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